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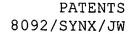
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

## Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- U.S. Patent No. 3,710,923, Fromme et al.
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These references are also listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449).

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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